

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of the claims replaces all prior versions, and listings of the claims in the application:

Claims 1-16. (Cancelled).

17. (Currently Amended) A two-shot injection molding method of forming a mask that is adapted to communicate a flow of breathing gas with an airway of a user, the method comprising:

providing a mask mold;

injecting a first material into the mask mold to define a mask body of the mask,
wherein the mask body includes a wall and a rim at an end portion of the wall;

injecting a second material into the mask mold while the mask body is cooling and incompletely cured to define at least a portion of a mask seal member of the mask, wherein the mask seal member is molecularly bonded to the ~~mask body~~rim as a consequence of the second material being injected into the mask mold in this manner, and wherein the bond between the rim and the mask seal is a gas-tight bond.

18. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 17, wherein injecting the second material into the mask mold defines a first flap member of the mask seal member, and further comprising attaching a second flap member to the first flap member such that the second flap member generally overlies the first flap member.

19. (Original) The method of claim 18, wherein the second flap member is removeably attached to the mask body to define an assembled mask.

20. (Original) The method of claim 17, wherein injecting the second material into the mask mold also defines a coupling member molded to the mask body.

21. (Withdrawn) A mask adapted to communicate a flow of breathing gas with an airway of a user manufactured according to a two-shot injection molding process comprising the steps of:

providing a mask mold;

injecting a first material into the mask mold to define a mask body of the mask;

injecting a second material into the mask mold while the mask body is cooling and incompletely cured to define a mask seal member of the mask, wherein the mask seal member is molecularly bonded to the mask body as a consequence of the second material being injected into the mask mold in this manner.

22. (Withdrawn) The mask of claim 21, wherein injecting a second material into the mask mold defines a first flap member of the mask seal member and further comprising a second flap member that generally overlies the first flap member responsive to the mask being in an assembled configuration.

23. (Withdrawn) The mask of claim 21, wherein the second flap member is removeably attached to the mask body to define an assembled mask.

24. (Withdrawn) The mask of claim 21, wherein injecting the second material into the mask mold also defines a coupling member molded to the mask body.